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E.O. 11652: DECON UPON RECEIPT

TAGS: OEXC TC (KAMAL HAMZA)

SUBJ: PART I - IV NOMINATION - JUSTIFICATION

1. NAME: KAMAL HAMZA (RECOMMEND FIRST-CLASS TRAVEL WITHOUT PER DIEM)

2. SIGNIFICANT POSITIONS:

PRESENT: DIRECTOR OF THE DUBAI EMIRATE
MUNICIPALITY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS ADVISOR
OF THE RULER OF DUBAI.

PAST: PRIOR 1962 - VARIOUS OFFICIAL
POSITIONS IN THE SUDAN.

3. PERSONAL DATA:

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: SUDAN, ABOUT 1935
CITIZENSHIP: SUDAN & U.A.E.

4. TRAVEL ABROAD: MOST ARAB COUNTRIES

5. PREVIOUS GRANT: NONE

6. ESCORT SERVICES:

WILL ESCORT BE REQUIRED? NO.
WILL ESCORT INTERPRETER BE REQUIRED: NO.

7. VISA ELIGIBILITY: WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR J-1 VISA.

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8. POST OBJECTIVES FOR U.S. VISIT: HAMZA, WHILE NOT

A NATIVE OF THE UAE, HAD BEEN IN DUBAI FOR OVER 12 YEARS AND IS A MAN OF CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE IN THAT CITY -- MAJOR COMMERCIAL CENTER OF THE COUNTRY. HE IS DEEPLY INVOLVED IN ALMOST ALL OF THE MANY PROJECTS GOING ON IN DUBAI AND IS A MOST USEFUL POINT OF CONTACT FOR OUR COMMERCIAL PROMOTION EFFORT THERE. SELECTING HAMZA AS A GRANTEE WILL PROVIDE A DEGREE OF BALANCE TO OUR CANDIDATES WHO OTHERWISE TEND TO CONCENTRATE ON ABU DHABI EMIRATE OR THE FEDERAL LEVEL. WITH HAMZA NOW HAVING REPORTEDLY ADOPTED UAE CITIZENSHIP AND GIVEN HIS GENERAL COMPETENCE AS A CITY ADMINISTRATOR/PLANNER, WE EXPECT HIM TO BE AROUND FOR SOME TIME AND TO MAINTAIN HIS INFLUENCE.

9. POST OBJECTIVES FOR U.S. VISIT:

THE EMBASSY WOULD WANT TO SEE HAMZA EXPOSED TO VARIOUS ASPECTS OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION FROM SMALL TOWNS TO LARGE CITIES. WE ALSO WANT HIM TO GET FEEL FOR CITY-STATE AND FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONSHIPS.

10. POST ESTIMATE OF NOMINEE'S AVAILABILITY DATES FOR U.S. PROGRAM: THREE TO FOUR WEEKS MAY-JUNE.
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